

## DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE BILL ANALYSIS

**AMENDMENT DATE:** July 15, 2010  
**POSITION:** Oppose  
**SPONSOR:** American College of Emergency Physicians;  
California Medical Association

**BILL NUMBER:** AB 2248  
**AUTHOR:** E. Hernandez  
**RELATED BILLS:** SB 1368

### **BILL SUMMARY: Emergency Medical Services Fund - Reporting Requirement**

This bill would require counties with an Emergency Medical Services Fund (Maddy Fund) to include in their annual report to the Legislature a description of each disbursement for "other emergency medical services (EMS)," if funds were disbursed for this purpose.

This bill would increase the duties of local officials and could create a reimbursable state mandate.

### **SUMMARY OF CHANGES**

Amendments to this bill since our analysis of the original version include the following additions to annual county Maddy Fund reports submitted to the Legislature:

- If no money is deposited into the county's Maddy Fund, a reason why no money was deposited,
- Detail of the total penalty assessments based on the type of penalty assessment,
- A description of the process used for obtaining input for and creating the payment methodology,
- Identification of the fee schedule used, and
- A description of the method of disbursement including: (1) the amount of money available for distribution to hospitals, and (2) for distributions on a claim basis, detail regarding the dollar and percentage amount of claims allowed.

### **FISCAL SUMMARY**

There would be no additional fiscal impact on the Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA) because it does not manage the reports or the activities of the Maddy Fund. However, EMSA estimates this bill could create additional state-mandated costs for the local agencies resulting in approximately \$55,600 annually in local assistance claims, which would place additional pressure on the General Fund.

A related bill, SB 1368 (Senate Health Committee) would require EMSA to collect and aggregate the local Maddy Fund reports for the Legislature. If SB 1368 is chaptered, it would impose additional workload for EMSA. The fiscal impact of this increased workload has not yet been estimated.

### **COMMENTS**

Although this bill would provide improved transparency into the expenditure of Maddy Funds, the Department of Finance is opposed to this bill because it could create a reimbursable state mandate, which would put additional cost pressure on the General Fund.

Maddy Funds are used to compensate emergency medical service providers for emergency services provided to patients who do not have health insurance and cannot pay for medical care. These funds receive revenue from a variety of sources including penalties on certain criminal offenses, vehicle violations, and Proposition 99 tobacco tax revenues. Approximately 50 counties have established Maddy Funds.

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Existing law requires counties with Maddy Funds to annually report specified information to the Legislature including deposits into the fund, disbursements, and a status on the administration of the fund.

Code/Department Agency or Revenue Type	SO	(Fiscal Impact by Fiscal Year)							
	LA	(Dollars in Thousands)							
	CO	PROP							Fund
	RV	98	FC	2009-2010	FC	2010-2011	FC	2011-2012	Code
4120/Emer Med Svc	LA	No	-----	See Fiscal Summary					0001